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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification:

At page 1, line 1, please amend the title as follows:

GENES FOR INCREASING CROP GENE ELEVATING CEREAL YIELD AND USES UTILIZATION THEREOF

At page 1, line 4, after the title please insert the following <u>new</u> paragraph:

Related Applications

This application is a 35 U.S.C. §371 national stage filing of International Application No. PCT/JP03/14434, filed 13 November 2003, which claims priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/425,919, filed 13 November 2002. The contents of the aforementioned applications are hereby incorporated by reference.

At page 19, line 15, please replace the Brief Description of Fig. 7:

Fig. 7 compares the sequences of the CKX genes (SEQ ID NOS: 7-14 respectively, in order of appearance).

In the Sequence Listing:

Please replace the Sequence Listing as originally filed with new Sequence Listing submitted herewith.